STATE OF WISCONSIN

Senate Journal

Ninety-Eighth Regular Session

FRIDAY, September 21, 2007

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date.

CHIEF CLERK'S ENTRIES

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Senate amendment 1 to **Senate Bill 167** offered by Senator Decker.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS; REFERENCE OF APPOINTMENTS

Read first time and referred:

Senate Bill 269

Relating to: terminating a tenancy for imminent threat of serious physical harm, making leases that restrict access to certain services void and unenforceable, and prohibiting the imposition of fees for local government emergency services.

By Senators Coggs, Sullivan, Carpenter, Lassa, Darling, Plale, Olsen, Risser, Hansen, Kreitlow, Schultz, Roessler and Harsdorf; cosponsored by Representatives Suder, Grigsby, Richards, Kessler, Sinicki, Parisi, Musser, Zepnick, Berceau, A. Williams, Turner, Townsend, A. Ott, Strachota, Nerison, Tauchen, Smith, Seidel, Pocan, Kaufert, Honadel, Davis, LeMahieu, Kleefisch, Moulton, Nygren and Petrowski.

To committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs.

Senate Bill 270

Relating to: information required to be included in the biennial state budget report.

By Senators Kanavas, Lazich, Schultz, A. Lasee, Darling, Roessler and S. Fitzgerald; cosponsored by Representatives Strachota, Pridemore, Jeskewitz, Ballweg, Albers, Hahn, Vukmir, Kleefisch, Bies, Vos, F. Lasee, Nass, Gunderson, Gundrum, Kramer and Zipperer.

To committee on **Ethics Reform and Government Operations**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The committee on **Education** reports and recommends:

Senate Bill 249

Relating to: payment of the costs of advanced placement examinations taken by certain pupils.

Passage.

Ayes, 7 – Senators Lehman, Erpenbach, Hansen, Kreitlow, Olsen, Grothman and Lazich.

Noes, 0 - None.

JOHN LEHMAN Chairperson

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

September 13, 2007

The Honorable, The Legislature:

We at the Department of Natural Resources are pleased to provide you with a copy of our annual Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act (WEPA) report. In fulfillment of Section 1.11 (2)(j) of the state statutes, this document provides information on the numbers of environmental assessments (EAs) and environmental impact statements (ElSs) completed by the Department in the past fiscal year.

Questions about the report can be directed to me at 6–0426.

Sincerely, JAMES D. PARDEE

WEPA Coordinator

State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

September 18, 2007

The Honorable, The Senate:

Section 55.14 (11) of the Wis. Stats. requires the Department of Health and Family Services to submit a report concerning any orders for the involuntary administration of psychotropic medications to individuals who are receiving protective services. Counties and their contract agencies are required to submit copies of these orders to the Department. Sections 51.14(3) and (8) establish the criteria for issuance of court orders. Two counties, Washburn and Dodge, provided copies of protective placement court orders for psychotropic medications in calendar year 2007.

With warm regards, *KEVIN R. HAYDEN* Secretary

State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

September 18, 2007

The Honorable. The Senate:

Pursuant to Section 46.014(4) of the Wis. Stats., the Department of Health and Family Services is required to submit an annual report to the Legislature concerning the activities of

the Community Action agencies under s. 46.30, and their effectiveness in promoting social and economic opportunities for low–income persons.

The attached report describes the uses of the Community Services Block Grant funding and its support of the services provided by the Community Action agencies and Limited Purpose agencies in order to reduce poverty, revitalize low–income communities and empower low–income individuals and families to become economically self–sufficient.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Kitty Kocol, CSBG Coordinator at (608) 267–5149 or kocolkm@dhfs.state.wi.us.

With warm regards, *KEVIN R. HAYDEN* Secretary

Referred to committee on Health and Human Services.

State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

September 19, 2007

The Honorable, The Senate:

In accordance with sec. 1.11(2)(j) Wis. Stats., the Department of Health and Family Services reports that it did not conduct any Environmental Assessments or Environmental Impact Statements during the reporting period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007.

With warm regards, *KEVIN R. HAYDEN* Secretary

State of Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau

September 19, 2007

The Honorable, The Legislature:

As required by s. 39.15, Wis. Stats., we have completed a limited–scope review of the medical education contract between the State of Wisconsin and the Medical College of Wisconsin, Inc., for fiscal year (FY) 2004–05 and FY 2005–06. The State appropriated \$4.1 million in general purpose revenue to the Medical College for tuition aid for this period. In addition, the State provided approximately \$6.7 million in general purpose revenue for the development and operation of the Medical College's family practice residency program. The State also made \$375,000 in debt service payments related to general obligation bonds that it issued to fund certain construction projects at the Medical College.

Overall, we found that the Medical College was in compliance with its contract with the State and with requirements set forth in ss. 39.15 and 39.155, Wis. Stats. During our review, we found the students claimed for state tuition aid were certified by the Higher Educational Aids Board as Wisconsin residents and were eligible to receive this aid. In addition, the Medical College gave preference in admissions to Wisconsin residents and promoted minority enrollment. We also found that the Medical College expended funds provided by the state in a manner consistent with legislative intent. Finally, the State's debt service payments agreed with the bond repayment schedules maintained by the Wisconsin Department of Administration for the applicable Medical College construction projects.

We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us by staff of the Medical College of Wisconsin during this review.

Sincerely,

BRYAN NAAB
Deputy State Auditor for Financial Audit

State of Wisconsin Ethics Board

September 20, 2007

The Honorable, The Senate:

The following lobbyists have been authorized to act on behalf of the organizations set opposite their names.

For more detailed information about these lobbyists and organizations and a complete list of organizations and people authorized to lobby the 2007–2008 session of the legislature, visit the Ethics Board's web site at http://ethics.state.wi.us/

Bell, Mary Wisconsin Education

Association Council

Costello, Guy Wisconsin Education Association

Council

Goulee, James The Park People of Milwaukee

County, Inc.

Haffenbredl, Mary Humana

Jensen, Nancy Apartment Association of South

Central Wisconsin

Juan, Nicole United Council of UW Students Masek, Amy Wisconsin Early Autism Project

Inc, The

Rich, Elizabeth E4, Inc Sachs, Kathryn E4, Inc

Also available from the Wisconsin Ethics Board are reports identifying the amount and value of time state agencies have spent to affect legislative action and reports of expenditures for lobbying activities filed by organizations that employ lobbyists.

Sincerely,

R. ROTH JUDD

Executive Director

Messages from the Assembly Considered

Assembly Bill 506

Relating to: state finances and appropriations for state school aids for the 2007–09 fiscal biennium, school district revenue limits, school safety grants, the pupil transportation reimbursement rate, the school breakfast reimbursement rate, county and municipal aid, the school levy property tax credit, and making appropriations.

By Representatives Huebsch, J. Fitzgerald and Rhoades. Read first time and referred to committee on **Senate Organization**.

Assembly Bill 507

Relating to: modifying and extending local levy limits for cities, villages, towns, and counties and creating a levy limit for technical college districts.

By Representatives Huebsch, J. Fitzgerald and Rhoades. Read first time and referred to committee on **Senate Organization**.